

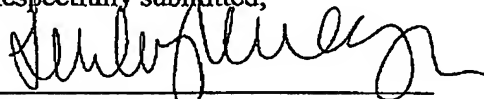
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REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entrance of the above amendments. As stated by MPEP§1214.07, "[i]f an amendment obviously places an application in condition for allowance, regardless of whether the amendment is filed with an RCE, the primary examiner should recommend that the amendment be entered, and with the concurrence of the supervisory patent examiner, the amendment will be entered". See, MPEP§ 1002.02(d). Applicants submit that the amendment obviously places the application in condition for allowance.

As discussed previously, *Shamshoum* does not teach, show or suggest the features of the amended claims. Accordingly, Applicants submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request the same.

Respectfully submitted,



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